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U. S. CATTLE ON FEED 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.7 million head on November 1, 2002. The inventory was 9 percent below both November 1, 2001 and November 1, 2000.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.39 million, 12 percent below 2001 and 16 percent below 2000. Net placements were 2.30 million. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 809,000, 600-699 pounds were 638,000, 700-799 pounds were 521,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 420,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.98 million, 4 percent above 2001 and 3 percent above 2000.

Other disappearance totaled 84,000 during October, 24 percent above 2001 and 27 percent above 2000.

CATTLE ON FEED IN HISTORIC 7 STATES

Cattle on feed November 1, 2002, in the historic 7 States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.3 million, down 9 percent from both the previous year and November 1, 2000.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.01 million, 13 percent below 2001 and 16 percent below 2000.

Marketings during October totaled 1.71 million, 4 percent above both 2001 and 2000.

Other disappearance during October was 75,000 head, 32 percent above 2001 and 50 percent above 2000.

Cattle on Feed: U.S. Number Placed on Feed, by weight groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, September and October 2002

Month	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ Ibs	Total
Sep Oct	614 809	487 638	1000 head 582 521	505 420	2,188 2,388

Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, 7 Historic States and United States

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<u></u>	2001	2002	2002-01	2001	2002	2002-01	2001	2002	2002-01	2001	2002	2002-01	2001	2002	2002-01
	1,000	head	Percent	1,000	head	Percent	1,000	head	Percent	1,000	head	Percent	1,000	head	Percent
AZ	298	288	97	35	28	80	31	25	81	1	1	100	301	290	96
CA	465	495	106	60	60	100	50	58	116	5	7	140	470	490	104
CO	1,060	1,030	97	315	250	79	200	210	105	5	10	200	1,170	1,060	91
IA	310	315	102	75	95	127	44	73	166	1	2	200	340	335	99
KS	2,540	2,280	90	560	455	81	415	410	99	15	25	167	2 670	2,300	86
NE	1,950	1,960	101	590	520	88	330	360	109	10	10	100	2,200	2,110	96
TX	2,990	2,720	91	680	600	88	570	570	100	20	20	100	3,080	2,730	89
7 States	9,613	9,088	95	2,315	2,008	87	1,640	1,706	104	57	75	132	10,231	9,315	91
Oth. Sts.	1,512	1,328	88	387	380	98	256	273	107	11	9	82	1,632	1,426	87
U.S.	11,125	10,416	94	2,702	2,388	88	1,896	1,979	104	68	84	124	11,863	10,741	91

Average prices, Nebraska, dollars per cwt

Slaughter			er steers	Slaughte	er heifers
Week Choice ended 1100-1300			Choice 1000-1200 lbs		
		2001	2002	2001	2002
Oct	12	68.34	63.45	67.63	63.71
Oct	19	68.03	65.68	68.03	66.25
Oct	26	65.83	66.57	66.08	66.90

CHICKENS AND EGGS

FLORIDA

Table eggs sold in mid-November 2002 averaged 43.0 cents, up 5.0 cents from mid-October. Table egg production in Florida during October was 226 million eggs, up six percent from the previous month.

UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.41 billion during October 2002, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.34 billion table eggs and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 58.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2002 averaged 338 million, up slightly from a year earlier. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,192 eggs, up 1 percent from the 2,180 eggs in October 2001. October 2002 contained 23 weekdays, one holiday and four Saturdays, the same as October 2001.

All layers in the U.S. on November 1, 2002, totaled 338 million, up slightly from a year ago. The 338 million layers consisted of 281 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 54.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.55 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on November 1, 2002, averaged 71.1 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 6.94 billion eggs during October 2002, up 1 percent from a year ago. The average number of layers during October, at 317 million, was up slightly from a year ago.

Mid-month table egg prices received by Florida egg producers.

Month	Cents pe	er dozen
WOTH	2001	2002
January	54.0	41.0
February	50.0	44.0
March	52.0	50.0
April	50.0	40.0
May	40.0	31.0
June	45.0	43.0
July	43.0	35.0
August	44.0	37.0
September	42.0	36.0
October	44.0	38.0
November	46.0	43.0
December	43.0	

FLORIDA: Layers on hand first of month, percent molting and molted

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	Nov	Sep	Oct	Nov
	2001	2002	2002	2002
Total layers on hand: Thous. Percent of layers:	10,852	10,654	10,624	11,027
Being molted	3.5	4.5	9.0	4.5
Molt completed	38.0	30.5	32.5	30.5

Layers and egg production, October 2002, production year-to-date egg production for selected States

Selected	Average	Eggs		Egg p	roduction		La	yers
States	layers on hand	per 100 layers	Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date ^{1/}	Being molted	Molt completed
	Thousand			М	illions		Per	cent
Alabama	9,816	1,925	189	52	137	2,104	6.0	14.5
Arkansas	14,667	1,868	274	103	171	3,058	0.0	12.0
California	23,605	2,216	523			5,612	5.0	28.5
Florida	10,826	2,189	237	226	11	2,497	4.5	30.5
Georgia	20,330	2,105	428	249	19	4,540	4.0	16.0
Indiana	23,597	2,297	542	529	13	5,548	5.5	23.5
lowa	37,876	2,292	868			8,963	4.0	31.5
Maine	4,328	2,033	88			1,022	0.0	2.0
Maryland	3,201	2,437	78	75	3	815	2.5	53.0
Michigan	6,589	2,277	150			1,613	3.0	28.0
Minnesota	11,467	2,259	259	250	9	2,876	3.5	26.0
Mississippi	6,714	1,996	134	42	92	1,458	2.5	11.5
Missouri	6,939	2,291	159			1,684	2.5	17.0
Nebraska	11,656	2,248	262	262		2,730	7.0	25.5
New York	4,024	2,361	95			1,009	0.5	11.0
North Carolina	10,725	1,977	212	81	131	2,311	1.5	9.5
Ohio	30,397	2,145	652			7,236	6.0	22.5
Pennsylvania	23,727	2,348	557	543	14	5,975	3.5	18.0
South Carolina	5,308	2,261	120	101	19	1,267	2.0	32.5
Texas	18,651	2,214	413			4,370	2.0	26.0
Virginia	2,902	2,068	60	31	29	669	0.0	16.0
Washington	5,129	2,125	109			1,256	14.5	43.5
Other States	45,562	2,214	474	388	86	5,306	3.6	26.5
United States	338,036	2,192	7,410	6,344	1,066	71,988	3.8	23.5

^{1/} Production year begins December 1.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

MILK PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

The October hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 8,080,000 was three percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on November 1, at 6,902,000, were one percent above a year ago.

Egg-type hatch during October at 606,000 chicks was 17 percent below last year. Egg-type eggs in incubators on November 1, at 609,000 were 17 percent above last year.

UNITED STATES

The October 2002 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 720 million, was down 4 percent from October of the previous year. There were 574 million eggs in incubators on November 1, 2002, down 2 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.3 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during October 2002, down 2 percent from October 2001.

Egg-type chicks hatched during October totaled 32.0 million, down 11 percent from October 2001. Eggs in incubators totaled 30.4 million on November 1, 2002, up 7 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 186,000 during October 2002, up 24 percent from October 2001.

Hatchery production, United States

Item	2001	2002	2002 % of 2001
	TI	nousands -	-
Egg-Type:			
Eggs in incubators: Nov 1	28,380	30,352	107
Chicks hatched during Oct	35,816	32,044	89
Pullets hatched during Oct for intended placements			
in hatchery supply flocks	150	186	124
7-18 months earlier 1/	3,158	3,026	96
Broiler-Type:			
Eggs in incubators: Nov 1	587,589	574,279	98
Chicks hatched during Oct	747,495	720,310	96
Pullets hatched during Oct for intended placements			
in hatchery supply flocks	6,704	6,265	93
7-14 months earlier 2/	60,480	61,719	102

 $^{^{1/}}$ 2002 includes pullet chicks hatched April 2001 through March 2002. $^{2/}$ 2002 includes pullet chicks hatched July 2001 through March 2002.

FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 166 million pounds of milk during October 2002, down two percent from the previous October. Production per cow of 1,130 pounds was one percent above last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in October totaled 147,000, three percent below last year.

UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 20 major States during October totaled 12.0 billion pounds, up 2.3 percent from October 2001. September revised production, at 11.7 billion pounds, was up 2.5 percent from September 2001. The September revision represented a decrease of 91 million pounds or 0.7 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,544 pounds for October, 22 pounds above October 2001.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.79 million head, 67,000 head more than October 2001, and 8,000 head more than September 2002.

Milk cows and production, Florida and U.S.

Month		Milk	Monthly milk production			
and year		cows		Monthly Total		
		Thous.	Lbs.	Mil. Lbs.		
Florida:						
October	2001	152	1,120	170		
September	2002	148	1,050	155		
October	2002	147	1,130	166		
20 Major States:						
October	2001	7,726	1,522	11,756		
September	2002	7,785	1,498	11,663		
October	2002	7,793	1,544	12,030		
United States						
October	2001			13,611		
September	2002			13,490		
October	2002			13,935		

Milk production by guarters, United States

Month	Milk c	ows 1/	Milk pe	r cow 2/	Milk production			
WOTH	2001	2002	2 2001 2002 200		2001	2002		
	Thou	sand	Pou	ınds	Mil. Lbs.			
Jan-Mar	9,143	9,109	4,514	4,639	41,267	42,256		
Apr-Jun	9,114	9,145	4,683	4,806	42,681	43,954		
Jul-Sep	9,098	9,159	4,459	4,572	40,570	41,874		
Oct-Dec	9,105		4,483		40,818			
Annual Total	9,115		18,139		165,336			

^{1/} Dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

²/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for October 2002 was 7.1 million pounds, six percent above the same month last year.

Commercial production of red meat in the United States for October at 4.38 billion pounds, was three percent above 2001.

Commercial slaughter and red meat production, Florida and United States

Source and kind	October 2001	September 2002	October 2002	Year to date 2001	Year to date 2002	
Florida					_	
Cattle slaughtered (1000 head) 1/	9	8	9	73	81	
Hogs:						
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	11	11	13	81	87	
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	2,167	2,134	2,373	15,275	16,049	
Red meat production (million pounds)	6.7	5.9	7.1	51.2	57.3	
United States						
Cattle:						
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	3,162	2,865	3,267	29,686	30,098	
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,944	3,620	4,149	36,039	37,573	
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,247	1,264	1,270	1,214	1,248	
Beef production (million pounds)	2,389	2,201	2,512	21,796	22,818	
Calves:						
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	94	89	101	834	855	
Total liveweight (million pounds)	30	27	31	269	268	
Average liveweight (pounds)	318	303	308	322	312	
Veal production (million pounds)	18	16	19	163	161	
Hogs:						
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	9,334	*8,505	9,403	80,825	82,950	
Liveweight (million pounds)	2,488	2,216	2,483	21,261	21,927	
Average liveweight (pounds)	267	260	264	263	264	
Pork production (million pounds)	1,838	1,638	1,831	15,736	16,242	
Red meat production (million pounds)	4,265	3,873	4,382	37,882	39,402	

^{1/}Does not include calf slaughter data. *Revised.

Average Dollars Per Cwt Received through 11 Florida Auctions October 2001 and 2002

				October 20	01 and 2002					
Stocker calves under 300 lbs.				Stocker calves over 300 lbs.						
Grade	200	2001		12	Crado	2	2001		2002	
Grade	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers	Grade	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers	
Medium #1 Medium #2	123.75 108.61	101.32 88.33	114.90 94.83		Large #1 Medium #2	97.73 87.91	82.62 74.76	83.39 78.78	73.01 68.55	
All grades	116.71	93.88	101.54	80.11	All grades	93.45	78.76	79.82	70.78	

SOURCE: FDA & CS, Div. Of Marketing and Development, Market News Service.